

# Minutes of the EB 2010-05 on 12 July 2010

Time/place of the meeting: 12 July 2010, 10-13h, Buffet de la Gare, Lausanne Present: Laura Baudis (LB), Klaus Kirch (KK), Martin Pohl (MP, chair), Jean-Pierre Ruder (JPR, secretary).

The Chair opens the meeting at 10.05h

### 1. Agenda

The EB inserts the draft Agenda of the Board after point 6. With this add-on, the Agenda is approved.

## 2. Apologies

The EB notes the apologies of TN, away on a technical verification mission for CERN.

## A. Administrative items

**3. Minutes** of the last meeting (2010-04)

[MP]

The minutes of the last meeting are approved (with thanks to the minute writer).

#### 4. List of Action Items

[MP]

The list of action items is checked and updated; several of the open items are on today's agenda.

## 5. Next EB meetings

[MP]

The next meeting (2010-06) is confirmed on 27 September. Due to teaching obligations of LB, the meeting is shifted to the afternoon and relocated in Berne (premises of the SCNAT). These changes are also valid for the October and November meetings.

- → JPR: check TN's availability.
- → JPR: check with SCNAT and cancel the Buffet de la Gare.

## **B.** Items for discussion

## 6. Plenary 2010 Gersau

Draft Programme for talks

[MP]

The EB takes note of the progress made and discusses how to identify the still missing speakers (LHCb, muon lifetime, and AMS/PEBS). Further, the EB suggests including ArDM in the GLACIER talks (like DARWIN and XENON).

→ MP: to inform Rubbia regarding ArDM, Gehrmann for registering, TN for identifying an LHCb speaker, and the speakers foreseen for muon lifetime and AMS/PEBS.

The next version of the programme will be published as soon as it is available.

Organisation wrt the CERN visit of FC Burkhalter (23 August) [MP]

MP reminds the Board that the CERN visit of Federal Councillor Burkhalter will coincide with the CHIPP Plenary meeting (which can no longer be moved to another date). The EB agrees

- that MP plus one person per experiment will accompany Burkhalter during his visit. The four persons will join the Plenary on the evening of the first day.
- to adapt the programme for Plenary by shifting the CHIPP Board meeting to Day 2.
- that LB will chair the Plenary.
- → MP: to compose the delegation accompanying Burkhalter.
- → JPR: to adapt the programme.

# 7. Draft Agenda CHIPP Board (2010-02)

MP presents the Agenda which is the commented and completed by the EB. Specifically – and taking into account that up to now the first draft of the 'Implementation of the Roadmap ' is not available – decides that this item is put on the agenda for information only.

- → JPR: to adapt the draft agenda.
- → LB: to inform AE about the EB's decision.
- → MP: to use the written procedure for collecting the Board's opinion about the extension of Weber's mandate as ACCU representative.

The EB suggests that the next Board meeting (2011-01) be held on 28 January 2011 in Geneva (alternative 26 January).

→ JPR: to check TN's availability.

## 8. CHIPP Prize 2010

- Applications, schedule for evaluation & decision [KK, all] KK informs that he has received 3 applications and suggests using the traditional scheme for the evaluation. The EB agrees and sets the schedule: evaluation by the EB members by 18 July, followed by a short period of iterations and clarifications; information of the Board on 26 July with a dead-line for nominations on 31 July.
- → KK: to provide the necessary information to the EB.
- → LB, MP, TN: to deliver the evaluations by 18 July.
- → KK: to organize the iteration with the EB and the interaction process with the Board.
- → KK: to check with AE for the calligraphy.
- → JPR: to organise the prize money.

### 9. C-15 2012 Request for extension

Consequences from the SUK decision: next steps [MP]

The EB has already been informed about the positive decision of the SUK regarding the extension of the project into 2012, the use of the funds still available at the end of 2011 in 2012, and the merging of the two accounts (SUK, ETH Board) in 2012.

The EB agrees that the 2012 distribution of the funds will have to be discussed among the institutes that have hired PostDoc(s), but notes also that there is definitely a need for support from the institutes in 2012.

- → MP/US: to call a meeting among the institutes concerned.
- → MP: to check with UGE concerning the support for the Geneva PostDocs.

# 10. CHIPP Roadmap update

Status Report and the way forward [MP]

MP informs that he has not yet received a first draft and LB confirms that the matter has stalled. Nevertheless, the EB would like the first draft to be presented to the Board in August, followed by a feed-back period from the Board, leading to the approval of a second draft at the January Board meeting in 2011.

#### 11. CHIPP as a 'Verein'

• Status Report and schedule for decisions [JPR]

JPR has investigated about founding an Association. For CHIPP, most elements needed are already available and in place. The two missing things are the drafting of Statutes and their approval. In order to speed up the process, he has drafted a first version (draft 0) of the statutes,

based on the CHIPP Constitution and fulfilling the requirements set by the Swiss Civil Code. The EB hears a short presentation of the statutes and provides immediate comments (deadline for further comments: 25 July). The statutes will be presented to the Board in August. In order to allow for an application for SCNAT membership by the end of the year, the statutes will have to be approved by the Board in time (possibly: extraordinary meeting in Oct/Nov).

- → JPR: to proved the text to the EB members
- → EB: feedback to JPR by 25 July

## C. Items for information

#### 12. Outreach

Report from the meeting with HPB at PSI [KK]

KK informs about the meeting, dealing with the question: can PSI help CHIPP in Outreach activities? The discussion had many positive aspects but made visible also some delicate issues, like possible conflicts of interest, manpower, and mixed funding. The Head of PSI Communication would be ready to collaborate with someone doing this job, ideally being seconded from CHIPP or one of the CHIPP institutes. She sees the job as a 50% task and advises to look for a senior person (except if embedded in PSI or if the person is a particle physicist). HPB had agreed to write a short meeting report.

MP thanks KK for the information and concludes that this outcome points to continue the efforts with SNF (see EB report 2010-04, agenda item 10). KK hopes for the possibility of hiring a person to be then second to PSI or another suitable institute.

## **13. CLOUD**

News re cost sharing between FORCE & PSI [LB]
 KK briefly informs that to his knowledge, the project is not support by PSI funds (in cash), but that PSI makes available the necessary manpower and the PSI hardware installations. With this information, the EB decides to close the matter.

### 14. Plenary 2010 Gersau

• Status re registrations

[JPR]

[MP]

JPR reports that the number of registrants has reached 50, which is a good result. Some of the persons foreseen as speakers have not yet registered but should do so as soon as possible.

- → KK, MP: to contact the PSI and Geneva speakers reminding them to register
- → JPR: to contact the other speakers that have not yet registered.

## 15. Status of future meetings

WS on High Energy Frontier (Zurich)

Following up a suggestion from the last EB the organizer has included in the WS programme the theme 'future accelerator technologies'. A website for registration is being set up by U.ZH.

 WS at PSI (Symmetries & Interactions at Low Energies and the Precisions Frontier) [KK]

KK expects the peak of registrations still to come; otherwise, the preparations proceed on schedule.

## 16. EPS-HEP2013

Status Report re Geneva

[MP]

MP informs that he has contacted Genève Tourisme and that he has received an enthusiastic readiness to help organising the conference. A fully documented proposal is expected to be available soon. Nevertheless, MP is of the opinion that the presence of CERN is mandatory (at present still open).

# 17. A.O.B.

MP informs about the progress made in Geneva regarding the two professor positions: two shortlists have been established, talks of the candidates for the Astroparticle position are scheduled for 2/3 Sept, dates for the ATLAS position are under discussion.

The Chair closes the meeting at 12.55h

14 July 2010 written by: Jean-Pierre Ruder

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